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PETITION TO EXTEND TIME

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner:

Art Unit:

In re application of:

Etzler, et al.

Application No.: 09/657,631

Filed: September 6, 2000

For: LNP, A PROTEIN INVOLVED IN THE INITIATION OF MYCORRHIZAL INFECTION IN PLANTS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant petitions the Assistant Commissioner of Patents to extend the time for response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated December 21, 2000 for one month, from February 21, 2001 to March 21, 2001. An appropriate response in the form of a Response to Notice of Missing Parts is enclosed herewith.

Please charge the fee of \$55.00 to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 20-1430. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to the above deposit account. This petition is submitted in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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